

Where will I find dates for Conferences and Clinics?	These will be published to all Induction Tutors once Venues have been confirmed and will appear on our Website: Leicestershire and Rutland Teaching School Hub - Early Career Teacher Programme(ECTP)
How do I match an ECT to their Mentor on Steplab?	You don't need to: Once all Registration Steps have been completed (lrtshub.org.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=310&type=pdf) on both ECT Manager and on RECT, then the Mentor-ECT pairing will pull directly from RECT to Ambition for them to onboard and be invited to Events. They will be automatically paired.
How do I claim for Mentor funding?	You don't need to: Mentor Funding for ECT Mentors is simply triggered by them being linked to an ECT on the DfE Portal (now called RECT, link on the pdf above) and subsequently completing ECT Obs and Feedback Cycles on StepLab. The ECT's entitlement to 20 hours of Mentor Support (to cover Fortnightly Obs and Feedback Cycles) is included in the ECT Grant. The Gov Docs are wordier, but here are the links: Grant funding for early career teacher entitlement (ECTE) year 2 time off timetable and mentor support - GOV.UK Grant funding for the early career teacher entitlement (ECTE) year 2 time off timetable and mentor support: conditions of grant for the 2025 to 2026 and 2026 to 2027 academic year (cohort 2025) - GOV.UK
Do all Mentors need to attend Conferences and Clinics?	That depends on when they started – see sections below. & please note: - ECTP Mentors (started Autumn 2025) are entitled to 3 Terms of funded Mentor training - ECF Mentors (started pre Autumn 2025) are entitled to 6 Terms of funded Mentor training
- New ECTP Mentors (Autumn'26)	- Conference 1 in the Autumn Term - Conference 2 in the Spring Term - Clinic 1 in the Summer Term
- Recently new ECTP Mentors (started Spring'26 / Summer'26)	- Have had access to Conference 1 and Conference 2 - Clinic 1 will be made available during Autumn 2026 - Their back-fill funding will be paid after their 3 Terms.
- Previous ECTP Mentors (started Autumn 2025)	- If they have already completed 3 Full Terms as an ECT Mentor, they are classed as “fully trained” - When they continue mentoring, eg their ECT2 or a new ECT, their funding is included in the ECT Grant, as noted above.
- Previous ECF Mentors (started pre-Autumn'25)	- If they have already completed 6 Full Terms as an ECT Mentor, they are classed as “fully trained” - We will invite them to an online Refresher Session to familiarise them with the new ECTP expectations and new MyECT platform - When they recommence mentoring, eg a new ECT, their funding is included in the ECT Grant, as noted above.
- Previous partially trained ECT Mentors	- We will be able to confirm on a case-by-case basis which Training Events are best suited to their Mentor journey. - Eg - If a Cohort 2025 ECTP Mentor did not complete all 3 Terms last academic year. - Or if a previous ECF Mentor has not yet completed 6 Full Terms of Mentoring. - Please contact us with as much detail as you can on the subject of your Returnee ECT Mentor: ecf@lrtshub.org.uk